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Dear Scholarship Recipient:

This letter is in reference to the Missouri Higher Education Academic Scholarship Program, known as **Bright Flight**. Records of MOSTARS, the student assistance division of the Missouri Department of Higher Education, indicate you received a Bright Flight scholarship award during the fall semester for the 2002-2003 academic year while attending a Missouri college or university. Assuming the necessary funds are available, the academic scholarship will be renewable during the 2003-2004 academic year if you meet the following requirements:

- Received a scholarship award during the 2002-2003 academic year;
- Attend full-time at a participating Missouri college or university; and
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress according to standards of the participating Missouri college or university.

Renewal students **are not** required to complete a renewal application to renew the Bright Flight scholarship award. The renewal application process will be initiated by the MOSTARS staff with the Missouri institution that you are attending or that you plan to attend. The institution will be responsible for completing the renewal application process with MOSTARS. After MOSTARS has completed the renewal process, students, colleges, and universities will be notified of the renewal scholarship awards. **If you plan to transfer to a different Missouri institution for the 2003-2004 academic year, you must notify MOSTARS and the new institution. This is important so that MOSTARS can verify your renewal eligibility at the institution in which you plan to transfer.** You should also notify MOSTARS of any changes to your name or your permanent address.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you have completed your undergraduate degree this past fall 2002 semester or if you are scheduled to complete your undergraduate degree and graduate in the spring or summer of 2003, you are no longer eligible for the Bright Flight Scholarship Program. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship award for a total of ten (10) semesters or until they have received their initial undergraduate degree, whichever occurs first.

Should you have questions regarding the renewal application process, please contact the MOSTARS Information Center at (573) 751-3940 or (800) 473-6757, option 1 or [icweb@mocbhe.gov](mailto:icweb@mocbhe.gov).

Sincerely,

Dan Peterson  
Director of Student Financial Assistance